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General Assembly

Seventieth session

10:00 — 90th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

[webcast]

1. Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (to fill a vacancy of Western European and Other States): report of the Fifth Committee (A/70/539/Add.1) [item 114 (a)]
2. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors: report of the Fifth Committee (A/70/624/Add.1) [item 131]
3. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/70/649/Add.1) [item 132]
4. Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017: report of the Fifth Committee (A/70/648/Add.1) [item 134]

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Security Council

15:00 — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

Programme of work

Other matters

[The President of the Security Council for the month of April 2016 (China) will provide a briefing for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council on its work for the month, *today*, 1 April 2016, at 16:00, in Conference Room 2.]

[The President of the Security Council will also provide a briefing to the press on the programme of work for the month, *today*, 1 April 2016, at 17:00, in the Press Briefing Room (S-0237). Delegations can view the press briefing from the United Nations Webcast www.un.org/webcast.] [webcast]

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5. Human resources management: report of the Fifth Committee (A/70/800) [item 139]
6. Joint Inspection Unit: report of the Fifth Committee (A/70/801) [item 140]
7. Financing of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals: report of the Fifth Committee (A/70/634/Add.1) [item 146]
8. Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields: draft resolution (A/70/L.42) [item 15]

15:00 Conference Room 3

The Co-Facilitators on the follow-up and review at the global level of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development will hold informal consultations with stakeholders. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 3 March 2016 and 17 March 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Preparatory Committee established by General Assembly resolution 69/292: Development of an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction

First session

10:00 to 13:00 Open meeting Conference Room 1
Overflow room: Conference Room 12

Development of substantive recommendations on the elements of a draft text of an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea [item 7] *(continued)*

Informal working group on marine genetic resources, including questions on the sharing of benefits *(continued)*

15:00 to 18:00 Open meeting — Conference Room 1
Overflow room: Conference Room 12

Development of substantive recommendations on the elements of a draft text of an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea [item 7] *(continued)*

Informal working group on measures such as area-based management tools, including marine protected areas

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The statements will be made available on the PaperSmart portal after their delivery by delegations. PDF format is preferred. To access the PaperSmart of the Preparatory Committee, please *click here*. Delegations are kindly requested to provide *twenty* hardcopies of the text for the technical services *no later than one hour* before delivery of the statement.

The list of side events scheduled to be held during the meeting can be consulted by *clicking here*.]

Open-ended Working Group on the Fourth Special Session of the General Assembly Devoted to Disarmament
First substantive session

10:00 to 13:00 9th meeting (closed) — Conference Room 4

15:00 to 18:00 10th meeting (closed) — Conference Room 4

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting — Conference Room 10

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting — Conference Room 10

1. United Nations Mission for Ebola Emergency Response
2. Executive meeting

Security Council

Implementation of Security Council resolution 2231 (2015)

10:00 to 13:00 Informal meeting (closed) — Conference Room 7

Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict

15:00 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 7

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Population and Development

10:00 to 13:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 6

15:00 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 6

On the zero-draft resolution on the future organization and methods of work of the Commission on Population and Development, convened by the Vice-Chair designate, Ms. Oana Rebedea (Romania), and Ms. Iara Beekma Reis (Plurinational State of Bolivia). Subsequent dates and times for informal consultations will be announced in the *Journal*, at a later date.

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Group of 77 (on Oceans and the Law of the Sea)

09:00 to 09:45 Closed meeting Conference Room A

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

13:15 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room B

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS): Working Group

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room B

Briefing on "Alliance 8.7: Eradicating forced labour, modern slavery, child labour and human trafficking" (organized by the International Labour Organization (ILO))

10:00 to 11:30 Conference Room 5

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Jessica Pak, ILO (e-mail pak@ilo.org; tel. 1 (212) 697-0150).

International Criminal Court: Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties

10:00 to 11:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Special events on the occasion of World Autism Awareness Day (2 April) (General Assembly resolution 62/139 (A/RES/62/139))

Event on the theme "Autism and the 2030 Agenda: Inclusion and Neurodiversity" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Argentina, Armenia, Bangladesh, Bulgaria, Denmark, Ecuador, Israel, Italy, Kazakhstan and Poland, the Department of Public Information (DPI) and the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

10:00 to 13:00 [webcast] Trusteeship Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Jon Herbertsson, DPI (e-mail herbertsson@un.org).

High-level event on "Addressing Autism: Strategies for the Global Community in Relation to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Bangladesh, India, Kazakhstan, Qatar and the Republic of Korea, the United States Mission and Autism Speaks)

15:00 to 18:00 [webcast] Trusteeship Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Andrée Antoun, Permanent Mission of Qatar (e-mail eventspmun@mofa.gov.qa; tel. 1 (212) 486-9335, ext. 776 or 323).

International Criminal Court: New York Working Group of the Assembly of States Parties

11:00 to 12:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 3

International Criminal Court: New York Working Group - Procedure for election and nomination of judges

12:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Event on "The Science and Business of Marine Genetic Resources" (organized by the Office of the Permanent Observer for the International Union for Conservation of Nature to the United Nations (IUCN))

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Kelsey Dougherty Howard, IUCN (e-mail kelsey.howard@iucn.org; tel. 1 (212) 346-1163).

Panel discussion on "Deep Sea Resources and Vulnerable Marine Ecosystems in the Southeast Atlantic - Research experiences from a collaborative survey" (organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO))

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 9

For further information, please contact the FAO Liaison Office in New York (e-mail lon-registry@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6036).

Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) (on the establishment of the Forum of the Countries of Latin American and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room C

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Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link
www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Wednesday, 6 April 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

15:00 to 18:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

In accordance with paragraph 8 of General Assembly resolution 70/228, the General Assembly will hold an informal interactive hearing with representatives of civil society as part of the preparatory process for the High-level meeting on HIV/AIDS. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 16 March 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Wednesday, 6 April 2016

15:00 Conference Room 4

The General Assembly will hold an informal meeting on the follow-up and review at the global level of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 3 March 2016 and 17 March 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Thursday, 7 April 2016

15:00 **Economic and Social Council Chamber**

The General Assembly will hold an informal meeting on the organizational arrangements for the high-level meeting to address the large movements of refugees and migrants on 19 September 2016.

Friday, 8 April 2016

10:00 **Trusteeship Council Chamber**

The General Assembly will hold an informal meeting on the preparations for the High-level meeting on HIV/AIDS. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 30 March 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Friday, 8 April 2016

15:00 **Trusteeship Council Chamber**

The General Assembly will hold an informal meeting titled "Humanitarian Response in Africa: The Urgency to Act". A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 30 March 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Monday, 11 April 2016

15:00 **Economic and Social Council Chamber**

There will be a briefing by the Under-Secretary-General for General Assembly and Conference Management on the organizational arrangements for the Friday, 22 April 2016 high-level signature ceremony for the Paris Agreement. Representatives from the Executive Office of the Secretary-General (EOSG), the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the Office of Legal Affairs (OLA), the Department of Public Information (DPI) and the Department of Safety and Security (DSS) will be present at the meeting.

Schedule of General Assembly Informal Meetings with Candidates for the post of Secretary-General

Tuesday, 12 to Thursday, 14 April 2016 **Trusteeship Council Chamber**

In accordance with resolution 69/321, the General Assembly will conduct informal dialogues with candidates for the post of Secretary-General, providing candidates an opportunity to present their candidatures and Member States with an opportunity to ask questions and interact with them. Each segment will consist of a two hour time slot. For more information regarding the schedule, please *click here*.

Member States are requested to limit their interventions to *two minutes* (*three minutes* for groups); questions posed by groups are encouraged. A mechanism to facilitate compliance with the time limit will be installed. Representatives from civil society will be given the floor per segment to ask a question, time permitting.

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 25 February 2016 and 29 March 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Thursday, 21 April 2016

The General Assembly will hold a High-Level Thematic Debate on Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 4 December 2015 and 18 January 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

For more information on the event, please *click here*. Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary segment are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063), copy to Ms. Mary Muturi (e-mail muturi@un.org)). Statements in the plenary segment should not exceed *three minutes*.

For bilateral meetings, a limited number of temporary booths, with a maximum capacity of eight participants, will be available in the General Assembly Building.

Delegations are requested to submit reservations electronically through eMeets by accessing http://icms.un.org, logging in with the username and password of their permanent mission and clicking on the "Bilateral" tab. The date and time and the name of the other delegation participating in the bilateral meeting should be specified in the request. Reservations will be accepted for periods of 20 minutes, on the hour and half hour. To prevent double bookings, only the delegations initiating the bilateral meeting(s) should submit the request.

For further information regarding bilateral requests, please contact bilats-msu@un.org.

Thirtieth special session of the General Assembly on the world drug problem
Tuesday, 19, Wednesday, 20 and Thursday, 21 April 2016

Pursuant to resolutions 67/193 of 20 December 2012, 69/200 of 18 December 2014 and 70/181 of 17 December 2015, the General Assembly will hold the thirtieth special session on the world drug problem. The thirtieth special session shall consist of a general debate and five interactive, multi-stakeholder round tables. Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings, should contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org, copy to muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082). To enable maximum participation within the limited time available, statements in the plenary meetings should not exceed *three minutes* when speaking in national capacity and *five minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group. In order to promote interactive and substantive discussions; participation in the round tables will be conducted without a list of speakers. However, Member States, Observer States and Observers are encouraged to inform the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org, copy to muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082) in which of the round tables they wish to intervene.

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the thirtieth special session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (Room S-3633; tel. 1 (917) 367-5133).

For more information, please *click here*.

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Second Committee

Informal meeting

Tuesday, 12 April 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 12

An informal meeting of the Second Committee will be convened by the co-facilitators (Australia and Rwanda) of the discussion on the organization of the agenda of the Second Committee.

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

Working Group I (Micro, Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises)
Twenty-sixth session
(4-8 April 2016)

10:30 to 13:00 1st meeting Conference Room 2

The report of the session will be adopted by the Working Group on Friday, 8 April 2016.

Disarmament Commission
2016 substantive session
(4-22 April 2016)

Monday, 4 April 2016

10:00 Opening meeting Conference Room 3

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are invited to contact the secretariat (Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2378)). The secretariat would also appreciate it if delegations would communicate to the Disarmament and Peace Affairs Branch, via note verbale (e-mail leu@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305), *as soon as possible*, the names of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Disarmament Commission.

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-sixth session
(6-24 June 2016)

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to

provide the fullest possible supporting information. The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States *at least two weeks* before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 20 May 2016*.

For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; Room FF-700 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943); or by e-mail to contributions@un.org.

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 70/245. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

Economic and Social Council

2016 session

Coordination and management meeting

Tuesday, 5, to Wednesday, 6 April 2016 Economic and Social Council Chamber

The coordination and management meeting will be chaired by the Vice-President of the Council (Zimbabwe). The provisional programme for the meeting is available on the website of the Council (*click here*). For further information, please contact Mr. Marc-Andre Dorel, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail dorel@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7204).

The report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations at its 2016 regular session (agenda item 17) contained in document E/2016/32 (Part I) will be considered by the Council on Tuesday, 4 April, in the morning, followed by a dialogue on "Coordinated support of the United Nations system to the implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries (agenda item 11). The concept note regarding the dialogue is available on the website of the Council (*click here*).

The elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments (item 4) to fill vacancies in the membership of the subsidiary bodies of the Council will be held on Tuesday, 5 April, in the afternoon. The list of subsidiary bodies for which the Council will take action on is contained in document E/2016/1/Add.1. Additional supporting documentation is available on Candiweb by *clicking here*. For further information, please contact Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (e-mail sharma7@un.org), with a copy to Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org).

For inclusion in the *list of participants*, delegations are kindly requested to send the names of their representatives and alternates attending the meeting to the Acting Secretary of the Council (c/o Ms. Theresa Olvida (e-mail olvida@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are further advised that *only one list of participants will be issued at the end of the 2016 session of the Council*.

PaperSmart arrangements will be available for the duration of the 2016 session of the Council. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal of the Council should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the

e-mail. The statements will be made available in the PaperSmart portal after their delivery by delegations. To access the PaperSmart portal of the Council, please *click here*.

Forum on financing for development follow-up

Monday, 18 April to Wednesday, 20 April 2016 Trusteeship Council Chamber

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 70/192 and Economic and Social Council decision 2016/210, the inaugural meeting of the forum will be convened by the President of the Council (Republic of Korea). Pursuant to Council decision 2016/211, the theme of the meeting will be "Financing for sustainable development: follow-up to the Addis Ababa Action Agenda".

The forum will include the special high-level meeting of the Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development. The forum will have universal, intergovernmental participation, utilizing the modalities of participation of the international conferences on financing for development.

Additional information is available on the website of the Financing for Development Office (*click here*). For further details, contact Ms. Dominika Halka, FFDO/Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail halka@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6653).

For inclusion in the *list of participants*, delegations are kindly requested to send the names of their representatives and alternates attending the forum to the Acting Secretary of the Council, Mr. Moncef Khane (c/o Ms. Theresa Olvida (e-mail olvida@un.org; Room S-1281; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

PaperSmart arrangements will be offered as an additional service to the meetings of the forum. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal of the Council should send a copy of the statement at least one hour in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org.

The date and topic of the meeting should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available in the PaperSmart portal after its delivery by delegations.

To access the PaperSmart portal of the Council, please *click here*.

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Fifteenth session

Monday, 9 to Friday, 20 May 2016 Conference Room 4

The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document E/C.19/2016/1, and the proposed organization of work is contained in document E/C.19/2016/L.1.

Member States, intergovernmental organizations and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to send observers to the session are requested to communicate the composition of their delegations, in advance of the session, to the Secretary of the Forum, Ms. Sonia Elliott (e-mail elliotts@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Only those observers who indicate their participation by *Wednesday, 27 April 2016*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of the Conference Room 4 on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

For background and other related documents of the fifteenth session of the Forum, please visit the following Web site: www.un.org/indigenous.

The fifteenth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will be served in a PaperSmart manner. The official documentation of the Forum will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all available official languages.

There will be no circulation of hard copies of documents. However, a print-on-demand service will be available, via which delegates can request for a hard copy at the PaperSmart Desk in the conference room, or by the print-on-demand option on the PaperSmart Portal. Delegates will be able to e-mail any document or statement to themselves from the Portal. No log in will be required to access the Portal.

Delegations and participants are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meetings in order to access information and documents electronically.

The list of speakers will open as of *Monday, 18 April 2016*. Member States and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for a particular item should contact the secretariat (Mr. Martin Vrastiak (e-mail vrastiak@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

Commission on Population and Development
Forty-ninth session

Monday, 11 to Friday, 15 April 2016 Conference Room 4

The provisional agenda of the session and the proposed organization of work are contained in documents E/CN.9/2016/1 and E/CN.9/2016/L.1, respectively. To consult background information and official documents for the session, please *click here*.

For *participation and seating arrangements*, members of the Commission wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Sonia Elliott (e-mail elliotts@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Member States that are not members of the Commission, non-member States, observers, United Nations agencies, funds and programmes and Regional Commissions are also requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat in advance of the session. Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Kindly note that only those observers who have confirmed their participation will be provided a nameplate on the floor of Conference Room 4, on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

The *lists of speakers* for all agenda items are open. Requests for inscription in the list of speakers should be sent *in writing*, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the secretariat of the Commission (Mr. Martin Vrastiak (e-mail vrastiak@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

In accordance with the programme of work, the general discussion under agenda item 4 (General debate on national experience in population matters: strengthening the demographic evidence base for the post-2015 development agenda), will be held from Monday, 11 April 2016 (for more details, please consult the organization of work in document E/CN.9/2016/L.1).

Delegations are advised that statements made by individual States should not exceed *five minutes*; statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*; and statements made by observers should not exceed *four minutes*.

For *statements and PaperSmart arrangements*, delegates are informed that PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service for the forty-ninth session of the Commission. The official documentation and statements for the meetings will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal (http://papersmart.unmeetings.org/ecosoc/cpd/49th-session/programme/) in all available official languages.

Delegates are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart1@un.org at least 1 hour in advance of their designated speaking slot and to bring 30 copies of their statements for technical services. The date and time of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which they will be available to the public on the portal.

For information on the *participation of non-governmental organizations* in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission, please *click here*.

Information on *side events*, or activities organized outside the formal programme of the session of the Commission can be accessed by *clicking here*.

For the *election of the Bureau of the fiftieth session*, the Commission will hold the first meeting of its fiftieth session for the sole purpose of electing a new Chair and other members of the Bureau, immediately following the closure of its forty-ninth session.

Forthcoming other meetings

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Briefing on the preparations for the World Humanitarian Summit by the Secretary-General (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))

Monday, 4 April 2016

12:00 to 13:15 Trusteeship Council Chamber

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Laura Rodriguez, OCHA (e-mail rodriguez14@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2770).

Discussion on "Modern Ocean Governance and the role of the International Seabed Authority" (with the United Kingdom candidate for the Secretary-General of the International Seabed Authority) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom)

Monday, 4 April 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Janie Armitage, Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom (e-mail janie.armitage@fco.gov.uk; tel. 1 (212) 745-9339).

Panel discussion on "Management Issues of Marine Genetic Resources: Technical Information and Legal Implications" (organized by the Asian African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO))

Monday, 4 April 2016

13:15 to 14:45 Conference Room 5

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Roy Lee, AALCO (e-mail royslee@optonline.net).

Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

Monday, 4 April 2016

16:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Briefing on "Migration Data for Humanitarian Response and Development" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of the Republic of Moldova and Switzerland, and the International Organization for Migration (IOM))

Tuesday, 5 April 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Kate Gough, IOM (e-mail kgough@iom.int; tel. 1 (212) 681-7000, ext. 263). To register, please send an e-mail to rsvpnewyork@iom.int.

Event on "The relevance and critical role of volunteerism for the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Malawi and Switzerland and the United Nations Volunteers programme (UNV))

Tuesday, 5 April 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 5

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Ame Esangbedo, UNV (e-mail ame.esangbedo@undp.org; tel. 1 (212) 906-3632).

Event on "Architecture and Sustainable Development" (organized by the Sustainable Development Goals Fund, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP))

Tuesday, 5 April 2016

18:30 Trusteeship Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Teresa Burelli, UNDP (e-mail teresa.burelli@undp.org); or *click here*.

Briefing of the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC) Group of Friends on "The Baku Forum" (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC))

Wednesday, 6 April 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 4

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Anna Pavlyuchenko, UNAOC (e-mail annap@unops.org; tel. 1 (929) 274-6217).

Meeting of the United Nations Group of Friends of Chemical, Biological, Radiological or Nuclear (CBRN) Risk Mitigation and Security Governance (at the ambassadorial level) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Philippines)

Wednesday, 6 April 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

For further information, please contact Ms. Shirley Flores, Permanent Mission of the Philippines (e-mail shirley.flores@nypm.org; tel. 1 (347) 458-6645).

Forum on "Extremism - A threat and a challenge that needs to be addressed" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Grenada)

Thursday, 7 April 2016

10:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Grenada (e-mail grenada@un.int; tel. 1 (212) 599-0301).

Consultation on "The UNAOC Baku Global Forum Declaration" (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC))

Thursday, 7 April 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 5

For further information, please contact Ms. Anna Pavlyuchenko, UNAOC (e-mail annap@unops.org; tel. 1 (929) 274-6217).

Skills building workshop on "Elections to United Nations organs" (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR))

Friday, 8 April 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 5

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 5

For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Event on "Progress in Realising the Addis Ababa Promise to the Youth of Africa" (organized by the Permanent Mission of South Africa)

Tuesday 12 April 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Margaret Agondua, Permanent Mission of South Africa (e-mail agonduam@dirco.gov.za; tel. 1 (212) 692-2486).

Special briefing "Belarus–United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration (UNRRA)–United Nations Development Programme (UNDP): History and Development" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Belarus)

Wednesday, 13 April 2016

10:00 to 11:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Irina Velichko, Permanent Mission of Belarus (e-mail iravelichko@gmail.com).

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names
Twenty-ninth session
Bangkok, Thailand (25-29 April 2016)

The twenty-ninth session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names will be held at the United Nations Conference Centre in Bangkok. The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document GEGN/29/1. For further information on the session, please *click here*.

Members of the Group of Experts, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session and be included in the *list of participants* are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations by means of a note verbale on official letterhead to the Secretary of the Group of Experts, Mr. Kenji Nakano (c/o Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org; Room S-3073; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Announcements

High-level signature ceremony for the Paris Agreement
Friday, 22 April 2016

The Secretary-General of the United Nations will convene the high-level signature ceremony for the Paris Agreement.

On this occasion, Parties to the UNFCCC will be provided with an opportunity to deliver national statements in parallel sessions, which will be held concurrently with the signing ceremony. In light of time constraints, the length of these statements should not exceed *three minutes*. Delegations wishing to deliver statements should approach Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063, copy to Ms. Mary Muturi, e-mail muturi@un.org), at the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management. The list of speakers will be maintained in accordance with customary protocol.

For bilateral meetings, a limited number of temporary booths, with a maximum capacity of eight participants, will be available in the General Assembly Building.

Delegations are requested to submit reservations electronically through eMeets by accessing http://icms.un.org, logging in with the username and password of their permanent mission and clicking on the "Bilateral" tab. The date and time and the name of the other delegation participating in the bilateral meeting should be specified in the request. Reservations will be accepted for periods of 20 minutes, on the hour and half hour. To prevent double bookings, only the delegations initiating the bilateral meeting(s) should submit the request.

For further information regarding bilateral requests, please contact bilats-msu@un.org.

Opening for signature
Friday, 22 April 2016

States and regional economic integration organizations intending to sign the Paris Agreement at the high-level signature ceremony convened by the Secretary-General on 22 April 2016 are requested to send to the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs, as soon as possible and well in advance of the ceremony, a letter or note verbale confirming their participation in the signature ceremony and indicating the name and title of the representative who will sign the Agreement on their behalf. When needed,

this communication should be accompanied by the instrument of full powers authorizing the representative to sign the Agreement.

In this regard, it is recalled that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government and Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign the Agreement on behalf of their State without having to produce full powers. Any other representatives wishing to sign the Agreement must be in possession of appropriate full powers emanating from one of these three authorities.

Contacts: Ms. Dina Hamdy (e-mail hamdyd@un.org); or Ms. Hada Guevara (e-mail guevarah@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693).

World Humanitarian Summit
Istanbul, Turkey (23-24 May 2016)

The Secretary-General will convene the first World Humanitarian Summit from Monday, 23 to Tuesday, 24 May 2016, in Istanbul, Turkey. For more information on the Summit, please *click here*. Representatives of Member States and Observers of the General Assembly wishing to inscribe in the list of speakers for the plenary session entitled "Member States and other Stakeholders' Announcement Plenary" can contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082; with copy to muturi@un.org). Statements in the Announcement Plenary should not exceed *three minutes*.

2016 United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme

Member States are reminded that the deadline for submission of nominations to the 2016 United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme is *Friday, 15 April 2016* (Note verbale ODA/01-2016/FP dated 4 January 2016). Only one nomination per Member State may be submitted and should be addressed to: The Coordinator, United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme, Office for Disarmament Affairs, Geneva Branch, Palais des Nations, Room C-113-1, 1211 Geneva 10, Switzerland. Nomination form and other attachments can be found by *clicking here*.

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the seventy-first session of the General Assembly

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, by *Friday, 29 April 2016*, so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its seventy-first session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft Word format *is required*. Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (e-mail fuchs@un.org).

Resolution 70/32, paras. 6 and 7, entitled "Relationship between disarmament and development", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/19-2016/D&D dated 8 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/44, para. 3, entitled "Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/15-2016/CAC dated 8 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/46, para. 16, entitled "Countering the threat posed by improvised explosive devices", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/20-2016/IED dated 8 February 2016 refers); and

Resolution 69/57, paras. 2 and 8, entitled "Effects of the use of armaments and ammunitions containing depleted uranium", adopted on 2 December 2014 (Note verbale ODA/16-2016/AADU dated 8 February 2016 refers).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would also be grateful to receive, on-line (please *click here*), by *Friday, 29 April 2016*, the information relevant to Resolution 70/21, paras. 1 and 8, entitled "Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/17-2017/OIMM dated 8 February 2016 refers).

International Law Seminar for African Universities — Call for applications
(15-26 August 2016)

The first International Law Seminar for African Universities is scheduled to take place at the Kofi Annan Centre in Accra, Ghana, to promote capacity building in international law education for the benefit of teachers from academic institutions and government training centres throughout the region.

The African Institute of International Law will conduct the seminar in cooperation with the host country, Ghana, the Kofi Annan Centre, the African Union and the Codification Division of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/116.

The deadline for submitting applications is *Friday, 29 April 2016*. Information concerning the seminar and the application process is available on the website of the African Institute of International Law. The seminar is subject to funding by voluntary contributions.

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For more information, please see the website of the African Institute of International Law (*click here*); or contact the Secretary of the Advisory Committee on the Programme of Assistance, Ms. Virginia Morris (e-mail morrisv@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2016:

Ninth session of the Conference of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (14-16 June 2016): election to replace nine members

of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information);

Nineteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (21 June 2016): election to replace twelve members of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information);

Thirty-fifth meeting of States parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (23 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Human Rights Committee whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information); and

Sixteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (30 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of the Child whose terms expire on 28 February 2017 (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting in question.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for the Conference of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should only be submitted to the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) (Attn: Mr. Guozhong Zhang (e-mail zhangg@un.org; Room S-2905)). Original copies of credentials and names of delegates, duly signed by the head of state or government or foreign minister, for all other meetings should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn. Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; Room DC1-213)).

Details on the procedures for the nomination of candidates for each of these elections will be communicated to States parties via notes verbales from OHCHR Geneva.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training (in English) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *April 2016*:

Introduction to United Nations documents

Security Council Documentation

Finding Speeches

Law Library Overview

General Assembly Documentation

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises

In order to provide timely access, the report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been made available electronically, in an advance unedited version, and can be accessed by *clicking here*.

The report will be issued as an official document in due course, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's own report, which will be based on the Panel's important findings.

Online reservation system for side events on the occasion of the sixtieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

The United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) is pleased to announce that the online reservation system for side events on the occasion of the sixtieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women is open. Permanent missions and United Nations entities may access the system by *clicking here*.

For inquiries and to sign up for an account, please contact UN-Women (e-mail csw.sideevents@unwomen.org).

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* is published by the Security Council Affairs Division, in the Department of Political Affairs. It is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations to follow the evolving practice of the Council and gain a better understanding of the framework in which it operates. The latest published volume (Sixteenth Supplement) covers the years 2008 to 2009.

For copies, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288). The Seventeenth Supplement (2010-2011), as well as several Parts of the Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) are available in their advance versions on line by *clicking here*.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 31 March 2016

Security Council

[archived video]

7661st meeting

The situation in Libya

Letter dated 4 March 2016 from the Panel of Experts on Libya established pursuant to resolution 1973 (2011) addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2016/209)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of Libya to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2016/293, submitted by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2016/293) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2016/293) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 2278 (2016).

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Libya.

7662nd meeting

Maintenance of international peace and security

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Peace, Security and Cooperation Framework for the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the Region (S/2016/232)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Council began its consideration of the item.

The Security Council adopted a statement by the President on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2016/2).

7663rd meeting

Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan and South Sudan

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of South Sudan to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited His Excellency Festus Mogae, Chair of the Joint Monitoring and Evaluation Commission; Ms. Ellen Margrethe Løj, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for South Sudan and Head of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan; Mr. Stephen O'Brien, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator; and Ms. Kate Gilmore, United Nations Deputy High Commissioner for Human Rights, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard briefings by His Excellency Festus Mogae, Ms. Løj (via video-teleconference from Juba), Mr. O'Brien and Ms. Gilmore.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of South Sudan.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on the Rights of the Child. New York, 20 November 1989

Objection to the reservations made by Somalia upon ratification: Austria (31 March 2016)

Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction. Oslo, 18 September 1997

Communication: Ukraine (30 March 2016)

General Information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *April 2016* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States
Uganda
His Excellency Richard Nduhuura

Asia-Pacific States
Iran (Islamic Republic of)
His Excellency Gholamali Khoshroo

Eastern European States
Belarus
His Excellency Andrei Dapkiunas

Latin American and Caribbean States
Argentina
His Excellency Martín García Morităn

Western European and other States
Malta
His Excellency Christopher Grima

General Assembly

Seventieth session

For the online schedule of informal and formal meetings of the General Assembly for the resumed part of the seventieth session, please *click here*.

For the *list of speakers*, delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063)).

For the submission of a *draft resolution* for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

For *PaperSmart Services*, delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

For *announcement for Member States on issuance of communications*, delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations.

The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/70/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

For *future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council* pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, the election for the 2017-2019 term in the Economic and Social Council will take place *in the afternoon* on Tuesday, 14 June 2016. The elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council will take place on Tuesday, 28 June 2016.

The *election of the President* of the General Assembly at its seventy-first session, as well as the *election of the Vice-Presidents and Chairs of the Main Committees* at its seventy-first session will take place on Monday, 13 June 2016.

Candiweb – A website dedicated to elections and candidatures at United Nations Headquarters in New York, to access it, please *click here*.

Seventy-first session

The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/71/50.

Request for conference rooms and services at United Nations Headquarters

For reservation of conference rooms at United Nations Headquarters, please contact the Mecting Management Section/Central Planning and Coordination Division/Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (MMS/CPCD/DGACM) (e-mail e-meetsm@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8114; or 1 (212) 963-7351).

After a conference room has been assigned in eMeets, please contact the following offices if other services are also needed:

For access and security-related matters, please contact Lieutenant Malinda McCormack/DSS (e-mail mccormackm@un.org, or levyd@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7028);

For nameplates, podium signs and room set-up, please contact the Preparatory Work Team/DGACM (e-mail prepwork@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7348);

For PaperSmart Portal matters, please contact the PaperSmart Team/DGACM (e-mail papersmart@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7349);

For publishing material for inclusion in the *Journal*, please contact the Journal Unit/DGACM (e-mail journal@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3888; or 1 (212) 963-0493);

For media access and accreditation, please contact the Media Accreditation and Liaison Unit/DPI (e-mail malu@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6934);

For broadcast TV coverage, please contact Mr. David Woodie/DPI (e-mail woodie@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9399);

For webcasting and UN Web TV, please contact Mr. Andreas Damianou/DPI (e-mail damianou@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6733);

For special events services, please contact the Special Events Unit/DM (e-mail specialevents@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 367-4245);

For audiovisual services, please contact BCSS/DM (request-for-services@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9485);

For loaning of technological equipment (PC, printer, etc.), please contact OICT/DM (e-mail itservices@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3333).

For detailed information on the policies and procedures regarding the use of conference rooms, facilities and services at the United Nations Headquarters, please refer to document ST/AI/416.

Request for the use of the General Assembly Hall

The reservation of the General Assembly Hall is now managed by the Meeting Management Section, Central Planning and Coordination Division, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management. Requests for the use of the General Assembly Hall should be addressed to Mr. Xuesong Ma, Director, Central Planning and Coordination Division (e-mail max@un.org; Room S-1232).

Documentation Services for Delegates provided by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM)

Useful *links* to United Nations documentation resources can be found at www.un.org/documents. The Official Document System (ODS) features an enhanced search page (documents.un.org) which, using keywords, facilitates considerably the search and retrieval of documents.

eSubscription for a simple and fast alternate way to access United Nations parliamentary documents electronically through the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management's eSubscription service, please *click here*.

Based on RSS feeds (Really Simple Syndication), the latest edition of the *Journal* and parliamentary documents issued daily at Headquarters can be accessed readily on a computer or hand-held smart device. Sign-up is free and easy by visiting the eSubscription page at www.undocs.org.

An overview of all documents with the options "e-mail" or "RSS" next to each document category is located there. After sign-up, documents will be sent to the subscriber via e-mail as soon as they are made available. Comments, questions and suggestions are invited to be sent to help-desk@un.org.

The *DGACM Documents Assistance Centre (DAC)* located in the North Delegates Lounge in Room CB-0264 is a central point of support for delegates seeking documentation assistance. In addition, the Delegates' Documents Counter is located adjacent to the Accessibility Centre in Room S-01B32. To contact the DAC, please call 1 (212) 963-2105; and/or e-mail dac@un.org.

Conference Officer Desks and/or Documents Counters are located in each of the following conference rooms in the Secretariat Building: Conference Rooms 1, 2, 3 and 4, the General Assembly Hall, the Economic and Social Council Chamber and the Trusteeship Council Chamber, where documents for the meeting being held at that time may be obtained.

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Council (e-mailed dpa-scsb3@un.org; Room S-2472; fax 1 (917) 367-0406). For queries, please call 1 (212) 963-5258.

The *website of the Presidency* of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

Information about previously *unscheduled meetings* and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by clicking on "Programme of work" on the website of the Security Council at www.un.org/en/sc; or by calling 1 (212) 963-5258.

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of *prepared statements* which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered.

Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their

statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Room Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; Room S-0220).

Information regarding the *Journal of the United Nations*

The *Journal of the United Nations* is issued daily in English and in French. During the main part of the General Assembly session (September to December), it is also issued in Arabic, Chinese, Russian, and Spanish.

Kindly take note that the English and French versions of the *Journal* are accessible to blind and visually impaired users via screen readers.

Back issues of the *Journal*, in English and French, can be accessed at the following addresses: www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp and www.un.org/fr/documents/journal.asp. All comments and suggestions about the *Journal* are welcome. Kindly contact the office of the *Journal* at journal@un.org.

Emergency information and updates

Emergency information and updates can be obtained on the United Nations Headquarters Emergency Information website at emergency.un.org/ and delegateinfo.un.int. The website also offers the option of subscription to e-mail, SMS and voice call alerts. In addition, a hotline number for updates during weather emergencies or other urgent situations can be accessed by calling 1 (212) 963-9800.

Touch screen information kiosks

The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) invites delegations and staff to use the two touch screen information kiosks located in the General Assembly building to access the official meeting schedule, the *Journal* of the United Nations, the Delegates' Handbook, the Blue Book and the United Nations Staff Yellow Pages, as well as Headquarters and Conference Room Maps.

These easy to use kiosks are located in the Delegates Lounge in the General Assembly Hall on the 2nd Floor and in the Vienna Café area in the Secretariat Building.

DGACM welcomes feedback, questions or comments pertaining to the information kiosks, which can be addressed to help-desk@un.org.

Documents issued at United Nations Headquarters as Thursday, 31 March 2016

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations http://documents.un.org in the electronic version of the present Journal.

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A/70/648/Add.1	Item 134 — Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 — Report of the Fifth Committee [A C E F R S] — *11 pages*
A/70/649/Add.1	Item 132 — Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations — Report of the Fifth Committee [A C E F R S] — *8 pages*
A/70/732–S/2016/139	Item 120 — Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly — Letter dated 9 February 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Bulgaria to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *8 pages*
A/70/795	Item 79 (a) — Oceans and the law of the sea — Letter dated 18 March 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Viet Nam to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*
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A/70/801	Item 140 — Joint Inspection Unit — Report of the Fifth Committee [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*
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A/C.5/70/L.30	Item 132 — Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations — Draft resolution submitted by the Chair of the Committee following informal consultations — Progress towards an accountability system in the United Nations Secretariat [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*
A/C.5/70/L.31	Item 134 — Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 — Draft resolution submitted by the Chair of the Committee following informal consultations — Special subjects relating to the programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 [A C E F R S] — *8 pages*

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Seventy-first session

A/71/6 (Prog. 14) — Item 131 of the preliminary list — Programme planning — Proposed strategic framework for the period 2018-2019 — Part two: biennial programme plan — Programme 14 — Gender equality and empowerment of women [A C E F R S] — *10 pages*

A/71/6 (Prog. 23) — Item 131 of the preliminary list — Programme planning — Proposed strategic framework for the period 2018-2019 — Part two: biennial programme plan — Programme 23 — Humanitarian assistance [A C E F R S] — *16 pages*

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

A/AC.109/2016/16 — United States Virgin Islands — Working paper prepared by the Secretariat [A C E F R S] — *12 pages*

A/AC.109/2016/19 — Pacific regional seminar on the implementation of the Third International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism: commitments and actions for decolonization in the Non-Self-Governing Territories, to be held in Managua from 31 May to 2 June 2016 — Guidelines and rules of procedure [A C E F R S] — *7 pages*

Security Council

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